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USS Hawes to Deploy in support of Maritime Security Operations

NORFOLK, Va. – More than 200 Sailors aboard the guided-missile frigate USS Hawes (FFG 53) will depart their homeport in Norfolk for a six-month deployment Saturday, Jan. 27 to the U.S. European Command and Central Command areas of operation.

USS Hawes will enhance naval presence for combatant commanders in support of ongoing Maritime Security Operations.

This “surge” deployment was scheduled in early 2006 and is designed to be flexible and support joint and allied forces afloat and ashore.

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NOTE: Media wishing to cover the departure of USS Hawes should contact Second Fleet Public Affairs at (757) 443-9850 ext. 47127 no later than 3 p.m. Friday, Jan. 26

Information on USS Hawes (FFG 53) is available by visiting <http://www.navy.mil/>. Use the ship type to find information on the ships.